## **City of Rocky Mount**

## **Annexation Fact Sheet**

- ⇒ City pursuing annexation of 1733.23 acres of land in Nash and Edgecombe Counties. (Edgecombe acres 335.75, Nash acres 1397.48).
- ⇒ Total estimated population subject to annexation is 2205.75 (Edgecombe population 479.40, Nash population 1726.35).
- ⇒ Annexation Timetable
  - o Public Information Meeting November 24, 2008
  - o Public Hearing December 8, 2008
  - Annexation Ordinance Consideration December 18, 2008
  - Annexation Effective Date December 31, 2009
- ⇒ Annexation does not require a vote of citizens to be annexed nor a vote of the general city.
- ⇒ Once annexed, property owners/residents will receive all city services including
  - o police and fire protection,
  - o street maintenance,
  - street lighting,
  - o garbage collection
- ⇒ Services will be provided in substantially the same basis and manner as such services are provided within the corporate limits.
- ⇒ Property owners/residents will be subject to the ordinances/regulations of the City of Rocky Mount.

## **Water and Sewer Service**

- ⇒ Within in two years of the effective date of annexation, the City is required by state law to have major trunk water mains and sewer outfalls in close proximity to newly annexed areas so it can respond to petitions from residents for water and/or sewer service in accordance with the City's water and sewer system extension and assessment policies. These policies require:
  - Petitions are generally considered on a block by block basis.
  - To be successful, a petition must have 51% of the property frontage on the block in favor of the water or sewer line installation.
  - The City Council will act upon the petition following a public hearing.
  - o If the City Council acts favorably on a petition and orders the work done, all property owners on the block will be assessed a share of the cost prorated on the basis of linear feet of frontage.
  - o Assessments may be paid over a five year term.
  - Property owners are not required to connect to water or sewer unless ordered by their respective County Health Department.
- ⇒ For fire protection purposes, the City will install water mains in most newly annexed areas. After these water mains are installed, a property owner may connect to the main upon execution of an assessment agreement, which provides for payment of line fees and tap fees. An assessment agreement allows payment of line fees over a five year term.

## $\Rightarrow$ Fees:

- Water \$25 per linear foot of road frontage + \$1003 for ¾ inch water tap
- Sewer \$30 per linear foot of road frontage +
  \$700 for 4 inch sewer tap